AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

I claim:

1. (currently amended) A trophy item holder comprising:

a support plate having a front and a back side, the support plate having a platform of uniform thickness on the front side of the support plate, the support plate capable of attachment to a vertical surface at the back side, wherein the support plate platform is wider at the bottom of the support platform than at the top of the support platform and the walls of the support platform form an acute angle with the front side of the platform are undercut,

an item support having a front side and a back side, with a cavity on the back side, wherein the cavity on the back side of the item support is wider at the bottom of the item support than at the top of the item support and the walls of the cavity on the back side of the item support are at an obtuse angle to the back wall of the item support,

an item retainer capable of holding a trophy item attached to the front side of the item support,

the item support capable of removably mounting to the support plate by interaction of the platform of the support plate with the back side of the item support, the item retainer capable of removably attaching a trophy item to the item support, and a clip having a clasp at the top of the clip and a single tab at the bottom of the clip, the clip removably mounted by the tab to the top of the item support.

- 2. (previously presented) The trophy item holder of claim 1 wherein the interaction of the platform of the support plate with the back side of the item support is sliding interaction of the cavity on the back side of the item support with the platform of the support plate.
 - 3. (canceled)
- 4. (original) The trophy item holder of claim 1 wherein the item retainer is a U-shaped arm.
 - 5-7 (canceled)
- 8. (original) The trophy item holder of claim 1 wherein the support plate is capable of attachment to a wall through holes in the support plate for fastener devices.
- 9. (original) The trophy item holder of claim 1 wherein the support plate is capable of attachment to a wall through screws, nails or bolts.
 - 10-13 (canceled)
- 14. (original) The trophy item holder of claim 1 wherein the clasp has a front wing and a rear wing.
 - 15. (canceled)
- 16. (original) The trophy item holder of claim 1 wherein the item retainer is capable of holding a baseball bat.
 - 17-19 (canceled)
 - 20. (previously presented) A trophy item holder comprising:

a support plate having a front and a back side, the support plate having a platform on the front side of the support plate, the support plate capable of attachment to a vertical

surface at the back side, the support plate capable of attachment to a vertical surface by screws, bolts or nails,

an item support having <u>a</u> front side and a back side, the item support having a notch and a lip at the back side at the top of the item support,

an item retainer attached to the front side of the item support, the item retainer comprising a U-shaped arm, the item retainer capable of attaching a baseball bat to the item support,

the item support having a cavity on the back side,

the item support capable of removably mounting to the support plate by sliding interaction of the platform of the support plate with the cavity on the back side of the item support, and

a clip having a clasp at the top of the clip, a tab at the bottom of the clip, and a bead on the tab,

the clip removably mounted by the tab to the top of the item support with the clip retained in position by interaction of the tab with the lip on the item support.

21 (previously misnumbered 22) (previously presented) A trophy item holder comprising:

a support plate having a front and a back side, the support plate having a platform on the front side of the support plate, the support plate capable of attachment to a vertical surface at the back side,

an item support having front side and a back side,

an item retainer capable of holding a trophy item attached to the front side of the item support,

the item support capable of removably mounting to the support plate by interaction of the platform of the support plate with the back side of the item support, the item retainer capable of removably attaching a trophy item to the item support, and a clip having a clasp at the top of the clip and a tab at the bottom of the clip, the clip removably mounted by the tab to the top of the item support,

wherein the item support has a notch at the top of the item support with a lip on the back side of the item support, the clip has a bead on the tab, and the clip is removably attached to the top of the item support by interaction of the lip and the bead.